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BUY SITE FOR SCHOOL BUILDING

Voters of School District Express Desire to Purchase East Side Property.

SPECIAL MEETING WAS HELD

New School Will be Needed Soon if City of Alma Keeps up Its Present Pace.

At a special meeting of the electors of the fractional school district of Pine River and Arcadia held last week Thursday evening in the Alma high school auditorium, the school board was empowered by the voters of the district to borrow \$1,200, with which to purchase a school site at the corner of Republic and Eastward streets.

As usual the number that turned out to the school board meeting was very small, only thirty-one voters from the entire school district being present to vote on a \$1,200 proposition in which some hundreds are interested. The vote on the proposition to empower the board to borrow \$1,200 to purchase the ground was carried by a vote of 22 to 9.

The proposition which was first put up to the school board was to give the board two lots free of all charge, but when the owners of the subdivision found that two would be far too small for a school, they offered to sell four others to the school board for \$1,200, giving the board nearly three-fourths of an acre (just two square rods short) for a school lot.

With the local schools crowded it is being felt in many quarters that within a year the school board must begin to think about building a new school house, and it is also thought that an eight room school would not be any too large. Two rooms could be used now, and before spring Superintendent Schultz believes that three could be used, owing to the rapid growth of the city and corresponding growth of the schools. Within a year all eight rooms would probably be used with a growth such as Alma has been enjoying in the past few years.

Just why voters will stay away from such meetings as this is a mystery. Money was being voted out. Perhaps the voters were inclined to believe that it should be voted, but it is well to call attention to the fact that it would have taken only three more votes against this proposition to have defeated it, as it requires a two-thirds vote. The voters should be active when such propositions come.

SECOND NUMBER

Fine Attraction on Lyceum Course Next Week.

The Alma Lyceum & Chautauqua association presents as the second number on the Lyceum course, Mrs. Fenetta Sargent Haskell in a dramatic evening at Wright opera house, November 8, 1916 at 8:15 o'clock. In view of the fact that many of our people are this year studying the drama both in the city and the college, this program should be one of profit as well as pleasure. Mrs. Haskell will read Justin Hunt McCarthy's drama, "If I Were King."

The Daily Northwestern, Oshkosh, Wis., says: "The Century auditorium was filled last evening by an audience that thoroughly appreciated the skillful reading of Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet' by Mrs. Fenetta Sargent Haskell."

"Before entering into the play, Mrs. Haskell paused to relate considerable of Shakespeare's wonderful influence on not only the literature of his own time, but that of every generation since. She read poems written to commemorate the author by Oliver Wendell Holmes, Robert Browning and others. Mrs. Haskell then painted for her audience a verbal picture to illuminate the setting of the drama. "With a well rounded voice, the modulation of which was extremely flexible and entirely under the masterly control of its owner, every character entry was admirably impersonated. Mrs. Haskell led her listeners tirelessly through each act and scene with such enlightening interpretation that not a sparkle of humor nor tinge of emotion was lost. The dramatic climax was highly impressive."

Remember J. J. Hopkins Auction Sale Saturday, November 4th at his farm, known as the Fred Church farm, one mile south of Alma.

REPUBLIC MOVIE

A new film is being shown the last of this week at the Idlehour, which shows what the famous Alma product, the Republic Truck is doing in the oil fields of the west. The picture is a novel one in many respects. The film shows one Republic truck doing the work of fourteen teams. Not only that but it shows the Republic truck loading itself. An arrangement is fixed to one of the rear wheels, the motor started and the great length of pipe used there are slowly lifted up on the truck. A 2-ton truck is used and is shown carrying a load of six tons. The film will be used to advertise the trucks.

FEDERAL DELEGATION HERE

A delegation from the Federal Motor Truck company of Detroit was in the city the fore part of the week for the purpose of visiting the Republic Motor Truck Company, Incorporated. The visitors were shown every courtesy by their Alma rivals, while they were viewing a few of the up-to-date ways of manufacturing motor trucks. The visitors were greatly interested in the workings and growth of the local company.

Lester Thomas of Saginaw was an Alma visitor on Tuesday of this week.

ALMA COLLEGE FELL BEFORE ALBION ELEVEN

College Team Played Poor Game and Methodists Managed to Double Score on Alma.

All hope of a Michigan intercollegiate championship for this year for coach Helmer's Alma college eleven was rudely dashed to the rocks last Saturday, when the Maroon and Cream bumped up against a two man football team, in Pasco and Cole, who took the long end of a 20 to 10 score.

Helmer's team started in good shape and in less than four minutes had a dropkick over the Methodist's goal, which Hoolihan booted from the twenty-five yard mark. The Maroon and Cream seemingly thought that they had the game won, and eased up for the rest of the half. During the balance of the first quarter the Alma team and the Methodists battled even.

In the second quarter Mr. Cole of Cole and Pasco, did not seem to rely greatly on his teammate and so he tried dropkicks. He sent one spinning over the crossbar from the 25-yard line and a short time after pulled the feature play of the day. He called for a punt on the 50 yard line, and then realized that a good dropkick would go across the goal if it didn't make, so he booted a drop.

It went high above the crossbar, clearing by fifteen feet, and right in the center of the uprights. This put the team of Pasco and Cole in the lead 6 to 3 at the end of the half. Helmer gave his men a good talking too before the second half started and with Smith on the sidelines, they went in the game and played hard in the third quarter. Alma kicked to Albion punted. Alma punted back, and Richards recovered the ball. By smashing off the tackles Alma carried the ball almost to the ten yard line. Quarterback Hebert was advised to call a smash through the line and did so, but the Alma team was held for a gain on the fourth down and lost the ball to Albion, together with a fine scoring chance. Albion punted and held Alma for downs. Cole and Pascoe got in some deadly work at this stage. A pass Cole to Pascoe for fifty yards placed the ball on Alma ten yard line. Alma held Albion without a gain twice and then the Methodists were penalized fifteen yards for holding. Mr. Cole noticed Pascoe down by the goal line and sent a pass in his direction and Albion had a touchdown. Cole kicked goal.

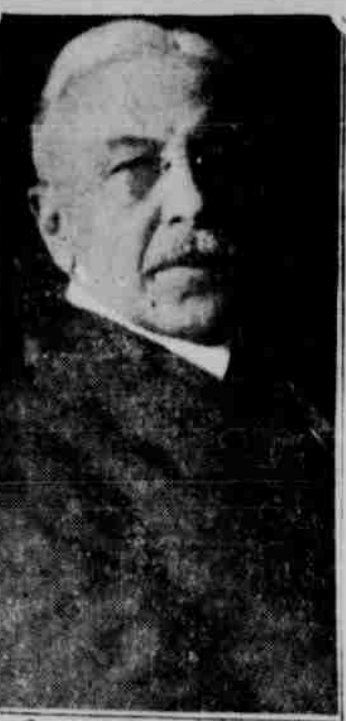
Soon after the kick time was called for a quarter, and with the coming of the final quarter Smith went into the game again and Alma awoke to the need of points to head off Albion, who started with a rush. Smith dashed through the center of the line time and again for from five to fifteen yards and finally placed the ball on the Albion 12 yard line. On the third down Smith passed to Richards for a touchdown. Hoolihan booted, Score, Albion 13, Alma 10.

Alma received and carried the ball down the field after another touchdown, with which to win the game. Or the Albion 30 yard line and Maroon and Cream was held for downs. Albion playing safe, punted, far into Alma's territory. After a couple of plays Hoolihan attempted a pass to Art Foote, which was intercepted by one of Mr. Cole, who went twenty-five yards for a touchdown and then added the extra point with his toe.

Albion kicked to Alma with only a few minutes left to play and Smith opened with forward passes in an attempt to score. Six passes were made before time was called. All of them were short passes however, and Alma had only reached midfield with the close of the game.

The Maroon and Cream were told to watch Pascoe and Cole and during the first half did, and Pascoe did not have much opportunity to take passes but in the second half the team did not watch him so closely, it is evident, and with Cole working at his best, these two men, both of whom are M. I. A. honor men by the looks of things, scored every Albion point.

Not until late in the game did the Alma team realize that it had to play football to defeat Albion. It seemed as though Alma would win, until Cole intercepted the pass of Hoolihan's which gave Albion her last touchdown. With time nearly up, Alma worked hard, but to much time had been given for the Albion team of Cole and Pascoe to get in their work. Just one chance remains for Alma to get into the pennant scrap yet, and that is to win every game played and had either Hillsdale or Kalamazoo college dump Albion. If Alma does not defeat Kalamazoo in the game here November 18th, they will take the championship.



Pres. H. B. Hutchins, University of Michigan



Pres. Crooks - Alma



Dean Thomas C. Blaisdell, School of Liberal Arts, State College



Pres. J. C. White, College of Wooster



Pres. John S. Nollen, Lake Forest



Pres. Samuel Dickie, Albion College

H. M. CROOKS IS COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Inaugurated on Wednesday with a Host of Educational Men from All Parts of the Country Present at the Affair.

BIG EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

Nationally Known Educators Held Sessions in Connection With Inauguration.

The big educational conference of college presidents, held here on Tuesday in connection with inauguration of Harry Means Crooks as president of Alma college, was a big success from start to finish, but one thing marring the entire program which had been arranged.

On Tuesday afternoon a session was held in the Alma college chapel at which time the general theme, "The Contribution of the American College to Society," was discussed by some able leaders of well known American colleges. President W. O. Carrier of Carroll college presided at the afternoon session.

The Contribution in the Field of Scholarship, was taken by President John S. Nollen of Lake Forest college. He brought out the fact that the contribution was a large one, from the fact that the greater portion of the students in the graduate schools were college men, and that theological seminaries were filled from the college ranks, and that the college gave a desire for personal attainment made for professional talents and polite learning.

Rev. E. A. McAlpin, president of The College Board Presbyterian church, took the subject from the standpoint of the "Contribution in the Field of Religious Leadership." He said in part that college were started to educate for Christian work, that the Presbyterian college, what it implants religion in the students. He also stated that the universities kept away from teaching religion through a fear of being called sectarian.

The discussion "In the Field of Statesmanship," which was to have been taken by Governor Woodbridge N. Ferris, was left out, as the Governor could not be present owing to state work.

"In Matters of Public Taste" was the standpoint from which the Hon. Charles Moore of Detroit, took up the subject. In his discussion Mr. Moore stated that the college trained the unit to seek the best, and made for a better humanity, that the college students are gathered under a true leadership. One man said he might be able to undersell the world in automobiles.

mobiles, but that one man could not make world peace, leaving in the minds of the audience that college students working towards that end, might be able to do it.

President J. Campbell White of The College of Wooster, took the subject from the standpoint of World Wide Movements. The college students are organized for Christian work he stated, that they expect a power in leading to the Christian life, and that they keep their eyes on the world tasks. The student volunteer movement, world wide, for the betterment of humanity, is one proof of this. Thinking in religious contributions the college put forth the mightiest forces in the world.

At the evening session with Dr. Kane, president of Olivet, presiding, the general theme, "What Should the American Public Expect of the Denominational College?" was discussed by President Hutchins of Michigan and President McClure of McCormick seminary. President Hutchins took the subject from the expectations in aiding to meet the problems of the commonwealth. He said in part that the college was an essential part of the educational machinery of the commonwealth to the denominational college could not be over estimated; that the college offered opportunities of the first order in general knowledge and culture. The college, he stated, fitted men for public service and citizenship, that they molded forces, and taught its students to make sacrifices for the public good, and that the college professor has the best opportunities for impressing the need of broad views and the need of good character building.

In taking up the subject from the expectations in religious education, President G. J. K. McClure of McCormick seminary, said in part that the college did four things: First, Alliance created with Christian life. Second, loyalty to convictions taught. Third, mastery of intellect, taught. Fourth, assistance given to world needs. In summing up these four facts, he called attention to the fact that the first letter from each of these spelled Alma. He also told of the way he had watched Alma and its many students that have taken up religious work.

A general theme, "What Equipment is Necessary for the work?" was discussed by President W. W. Boyd of the Western College for Women, and President Dickie of Albion. Boyd took the subject from the view of equipment needed in endowments and

buildings. He brought forth the fact that it had been estimated that it cost \$217 to educate a student each year, and that a college with one hundred students would need an endowment of \$400,000, if the money invested yielded five per cent. Alma is educating more on this sum of money. Alma needs more endowment that is plain. He took up the building proposition also in a fine way.

President Dickie discussed what the officers and faculty needed, and brought out the view that the instructor needed in the college was a person who was a scholar, a teacher, a wholesome Christian character, and who was loyal to the standards of the denomination, those who could best implant the ideals of Christian men and womanhood in the students.

The theme, "What are the Motives and Means for the Task?" was taken by J. Ross Stevenson, president of Princeton seminary. His address was short and to the point, and then just as pointedly, he said that the church was not aiding the college as it should be aided.

The Boys' Glee club and quartette of the college furnished music during the evening, under the direction of Professor Veatch, and were warmly greeted with each appearance. The pipe organ being out of order, it was impossible to give the recital.

On Wednesday morning of this week Harry Means Crooks was formally inaugurated as president of Alma college, before a large audience, which packed the college chapel.

At 9:30 the academic procession started from Wright hall and wended its way down the walks of the campus to the chapel, where the audience was waiting for the ceremonies to start.

The honorable L. A. Sharp of this city, representing the board of trustees, gave the address of welcome to the official delegates of the various colleges and universities present. In his address he said that the view of the world had changed that it was no longer considered a man's world, but a man and a woman's world; that Alma college was a Christian college. In his address he paid a glowing tribute to the late Ammi W. Wright, whose name will always be remembered in connection with Alma college.

Dean James E. Mitchell of Alma college presented the official delegates of the various colleges and universities to Harry Means Crooks and president Barkley, chairman of the board of trustees, and applause greeted each name, which was greatly prolonged with the presentation of president Hutchins of the University of Michigan, ex-president Snyder of M. A. C., and Dean Thomas C. Blaisdell of Penn State college, formerly president of Alma college.

The formal inauguration of Harry Means Crooks as president of Alma college followed, with Dr. James Barkley of Detroit, presiding. With the transfer of the insignia of office completed, the inaugural prayer was given by president J. Ross Stevenson of Princeton Seminary.

In his inaugural address president Harry Means Crooks said that he did not intend to set down any set of (Continued on page five)

CHURCH BELLS RING AT NOON

At noon every day from now to election the church bells of Alma will be rung. This is the hour set apart by the W. C. T. U. for prayer for the cause of temperance. It is hoped that all praying people will join the W. C. T. U. ladies in remembering to daily invoke the blessing of God on our efforts to make Michigan dry.

Rev. and Mrs. Wade Frost of Carson City was visiting with relatives and friends in Alma this week.

ALMA BUSINESS MEN WANT PROHIBITION

Remarks of Alma Business Men on Statewide Prohibition Are Given Readers.

The Alma Record is giving a few expressions from local business men this week in regard to their stand on state wide prohibition. Convince yourself, in what people think, especially these men who are representative men of the city. The expressions follow:

Have great hopes for a dry Michigan—L. N. Baker.

Hope we will clean up Michigan—C. H. Smith.

Dry Michigan will benefit all citizens—Earl C. Clapp.

If business is to continue good, we must have a dry Alma—D. W. Robinson.

A dry Michigan will benefit Alma—M. Messinger.

Hope we will clean up Michigan—G. J. Maier.

A dry state will mean more money in the pockets of working men—E. C. Crandall.

Michigan dry will be good for every citizen—A. R. Smith.

A dry town means more and better business, better paid bills—Miller Bros.

A dry county has meant more business for me and I believe that a Dry State will mean more and better business for all people—J. M. Montigel.

A dry Michigan means more business, less crime and a happier people—G. V. Wright.

I think that a dry state will improve all business except the whiskey business—John D. Sullivan.

If local option has been good, a dry state would be better—J. A. Gerhardt.

Without any doubt Gratiot county from a business, as well as a moral and Christian standpoint, is a much better place, since the county went to live in, why not then the state?—Economy Shoe store, J. C. Chick.

I certainly hope to see the state go dry. I have confidence that the people of the state will put it dry. Whether state wide or not, Alma will be a dry town—C. R. Murphy.

Make Michigan Dry by all means—J. E. Converse.

I most certainly believe in a Dry Michigan. I hope that next year we can vote on National Prohibition—E. B. Hough.

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TOMLIN LEAVES BANK

Accepts Position With Republic Motor Truck Company, Incorporated.

Mr. Ray Tomlin, a bookkeeper with the First State Bank of this city, resigned his position several days ago, to take effect November 1st. Mr. Tomlin on Wednesday of this week accepted a position tendered to him by the Republic Motor Truck Company, Inc. of this city, and is now at work in the offices of this company.

Mr. Tomlin has been with the First State Bank for a considerable over four years, and has proven to be a capable and accurate bookkeeper. His close attention to his work made him a most valuable employee of the First State Bank, and brought him to the attention of the Republic company, which is looking out for such men as Mr. Tomlin. The position tendered the young man at the Republic is a good one, and considerably better than the one at the bank.

The officials at the bank are casting around for a suitable successor for Mr. Tomlin, but as yet no one has been selected for the place which requires the most careful and accurate work. Over a score of applications have been made for the position from which the successor to Mr. Tomlin will probably be chosen.

REMEMBER J. J. HOPKINS AUCTION

Sale Saturday, November 4th at his farm, known as the Fred Church farm, one mile south of Alma.

LAY CORNERSTONE

Before a large crowd the cornerstone of the new M. E. Church at Summer Center was laid on Tuesday afternoon of this week. Elder Baker of North Star, formerly pastor at Summer Center, had charge of the ceremonies.

A list of the trustees, the building committee and the discipline of the M. E. Church were among the things placed in the cornerstone.

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ST. LOUIS HIGH MEETS DEFEAT

Kimball's Eleven Nearly Double Score On That Undefeated Team.

TAKE GRATIOT COUNTY TITLE

Biggest Crowd That Ever Saw a High School Game Here—Saw Locals Win.

The undefeated St. Louis high school finally took the count, when it bumped up against Coach Kimball's lads for the second time this year, the Alma high lads, staging a big comeback after seemingly being beaten, and copping off the game by a score of 23 to 13, before the largest crowd that ever saw a high school game here.

Alma took the ball at the start of the game and lost it on downs under the shadow of the St. Louis goal. The St. Louis team carried the ball back down the field and Fulcher carried it over on a forward pass, going ten yards after taking the ball. He kicked the goal.

In the second quarter Alma was started for a touchdown, but a pass went wide, and was intercepted by Fulcher, who carried it to the goal. The goal kick failed. Alma braced and started a heavy mass attack off tackle that had the St. Louis team going, and smashed down the field and Campbell went over the line a minute before the half was up on a line smash. Smith failed to kick goal.

When the second half started, Alma started also, and in one and a half minutes Howe planted the ball behind the St. Louis goal, making a thirty yard run for the score. Smith tied the score by kicking goal. Alma kicked to St. Louis and on the sixth play St. Louis fumbled and Medler grabbed the leather pill, and went 32 yards to the goal for the third touchdown. Smith goaled. Alma twice had the ball within the ten yard line before the quarter ended, but both times lost it on fumbles, after this touchdown.

In the fourth quarter the locals plowed through St. Louis in good style, and on a fourth down on the fifteen yard line with five yards to go, Campbell dropped back and sent the oval spinning over the goal post on a dropkick, catching the game.

Coach Kimball deserves considerable credit for the way the team has been working. Starting the season with practically nothing he has built up a team that has won, except against two undefeated high schools, Owosso and Saginaw, and one game to the St. Louis team by three points, a team undefeated until yesterday. This game gave Kimball's men the county title.

Lineup and summary:	
St. Louis	Pos. Alma
Whitney	R. E. Medler
Kosenburger	R. T. Boyd
Hall	R. G. Startor
Green	C. Wheaton
Yost	L. G. Mahr
Clinchist	L. T. Greenhoe
Phillips	L. E. Richards
Andrews	Q. Howe
Frouch	R. H. Pettyjohn
Fulcher	L. H. Smith
Brewer	F. B. Campbell
Quarters:	1 2 3 4 Final
Alma	0 6 14 3— 23
St. Louis	13 0 0 0— 13
Time of quarters:	15 and 12 minutes.
Touchdowns:	Fulcher 2, Howe, Campbell, Medler.
Goals from touchdowns:	Smith 2.
Dropkick:	Campbell.
Substitution:	Hopkins for Pettyjohn, Walker for Hopkins, Hayward for Sartor, Schultz for Mahr.
Referee:	Helmer. Umpire: Smith.

GROWING SOME

Nearly Three Hundred and Fifty New Houses in Alma.

The fore part of the week a representative of the Alma Record, in an effort to find out just how much the city was booming, took a little run up and down the various streets of the city and looked around for new houses.

It was found that since April 1st, 1916, three hundred thirty-seven new houses have been built or building, not counting any that may have been started since Monday night. This probably means housing room in this city for an additional thousand people, over those here before April 1st, and as the city has no empty houses, we naturally take it that the population has been increasing with great rapidity during the past summer.

Since April 1st, 1916 twenty-eight houses in the city have been remodelled and made better residences, which alone would have been a big improvement, had it been done just five summers ago, when it was thought that Alma was dying by inches.

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Mrs. C. C. Dougherty of Cadillac spent the week end in Alma, a guest at the home of her son, John Dougherty.